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The Cost of Living

It's always a good thing to know what the cost of living is. After all, the real value of a dollar is not only determined by how many of them a person may get each week, but largely by what this dollar will buy. If prices go up, a dollar obviously won't buy as much food, clothing, gasoline, or any other things as it will if prices are low. A dollar may always be a dollar, but its real worth goes up and down as prices go up and down.

There are some things at the present time that look as though they had gone up a good deal in price—such things as gasoline, some meats, and some household articles. This increase in prices gives the impression that there has been a rise in the prices of many other things. Whether this is so or not, can be determined by looking at what is called "The Cost of Living Index". This is a figure prepared by the National Industrial Conference Board, and printed in a publication of the United States Department of Commerce.

This figure represents the average price of certain articles of clothing, of food, the average price of rents, fuel and light, each month through the year. This index is generally considered one of the most accurate ways to tell whether the cost of living is high or low—whether a dollar will buy much or little.

The most recent report on the cost of living is for the month of February 1941. At that time the cost of living, the cost of the average things that a family needs every day, was represented by the figure 86.1. This is slightly higher than it was last year, in February 1940, when the figure was 85.1, but the difference between last year and this year is very small.

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THREE-QUARTERS OF PEOPLE IN BIDDEFORD SUBSCRIBE TO NEW INSURANCE

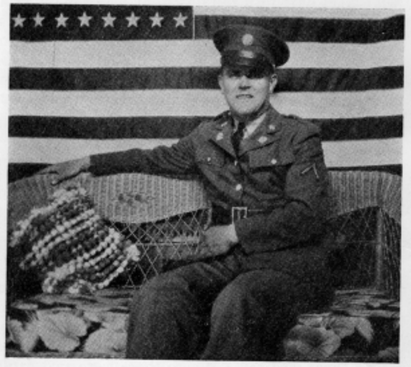
The Group Hospital and Surgical Insurance Plan offered to employees of Biddeford about the first of May was widely accepted, and 1,793 people in the Biddeford mill made application for this insurance. Certificates of insurance are now being prepared, and they will be delivered shortly to each person who took out the insurance, if they have not already been received. The insurance became effective on May 8, and it is now in force. Several people have already made use of the insurance, and as others require it, they will be taken care of immediately. Mr. Black will gladly give any information that is wanted about how to go about getting the benefits when they are required.

There is still a short time for those who want to get the insurance to secure it without a physical examination. Until June 8, any person desiring to obtain it may secure it on application to Mr. Black, without taking a physical examination. After that time, anyone who wants it will have to be examined and at his or her own cost.

The cost of the insurance is nineteen cents a week, and it provides hospital care, and surgical attention as outlined in the booklet supplied to each employee and as outlined in the last issue of the "Pepperell Sheet". To secure full information about the benefits which it provides, including a detailed list of surgical benefits, ask Mr. Black for the booklet which explains it.

THE FRONT COVER

Gerard Grenier strikes up the piano while his younger brother Roger, and his sister Rachel stand by to sing along with him. Their father works in the Lewiston Bleachery, and there are more photographs of them and a story on pages 8 and 9. Gerard has won four prizes in public singing, and he takes after his father who has a very fine voice.



Private First Class, Roland Carrier, brother of Freida Carrier of the blanket cloth room at Biddeford. Roland was formerly employed in the spinning department and now is at Camp Blanding.

AFTER YEAR'S OPERATION INSURANCE BENEFITS AT LEWISTON ARE INCREASED

The Group Hospital and Surgical Insurance Plan has completed its first year of operation in Lewiston, and it has been announced that the benefits available to those who have the insurance have been increased. At no additional cost to insurance holders, the daily benefits in the hospital have been increased from $3.50 to $4.00 a day, and the allowance for laboratory x-ray and other fees has been increased from $17.50 to $20. These additional benefits have been allowed at the end of the first year in order to provide to all insurance holders the maximum insurance protection for the small weekly premium which is paid. The benefits which those who have the insurance get, is determined by the number of claims and the cost of

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these claims, as compared to the total premiums which are paid, in the course of the year. The surplus remaining after claims are paid, is used to provide increased benefits for the following year.

Soon it is expected that a complete financial statement of the plan will be available for the past year. This will show clearly how it has been possible to increase benefits at the present time.

The increase in benefits is an excellent example of the way this type of insurance works. It is in reality "cooperative" insurance, that is, everyone who takes part in it obtains from it the maximum protection for its cost. If the experience permits increasing this protection, this is then done, so that at all times, each person holding the insurance cooperates with everyone else who has it, in providing protection for each other at the lowest possible cost.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO BIDDEFORD PLANT

Blanket Cards in 15-4 to be Rearranged

Due to increased blanket production, cards in room 15-4 are to be rearranged and more are to be added. Previously there had been nine two-card sets and with the change-over there will be seven three-card sets. Where there were two cards in line, there will now be three in line which will produce better and cleaner material.

Surplus Equipment Sold

There have been 7,500 wooden winder cones and 50 section beams with 28 inch diameter and 54½ inches between heads, sold, because of the new Barber-Colman spooler and warper units being installed. Cones and beams were surplus equipment.

Three Fall River rayon winders seated on a settee in the mill yard, just before going into the mill to work. In case you do not know them, may we introduce Bertha Saunders, Yvonne Flanagan and Jane Berry.

Marie Nunan and Natalie Keene, the two end girls at the recent Minstrel Show held by the Biddeford employees. Both girls rocked the house with their jokes and songs.

New Piece Dyeing Machine Purchased

A six foot dye kettle has been relocated in the Dye House in preparation for the installation of a new stainless steel piece dyeing machine. The new six string piece dyeing machine brings the total to two six string and one ten string machines. Piece dyeing provides a better and more even dye for solid color blankets.

New Winder for Blanket Division

One Hacoba, four spindle winder has been purchased for the blanket division. This will be added to the other units in room 13-2.

Fluorescent Lighting for Carding Departments

All rooms in the sheeting carding departments are to have the very latest type fluorescent lighting. They will be of the white tube type and will furnish a uniform distribution of light over each room as an aid toward better working conditions. About 600 units will be installed, based on the machine layout plans drawn by the engineering department under the supervision of Supt. Harry Smith. The electrical system will be most modern and up-to-date. All wire will be enclosed in conduits and each line controlled by a separate switch from a panel box conveniently located for use. This is another step, directly in line with making this mill one of the most modern cotton textile units in the country.

Knitting Machine Purchased

A knitting machine has been purchased for laboratory use to determine the unevenness of yarn. It actually knits a piece of goods, from yarn taken off the bobbin, onto a cylinder. This machine can also be used to ascertain the unevenness of dyed yarn by knitting the yarn off from consecutive bobbins. Laboratory and research work is a big factor in further improving our products.

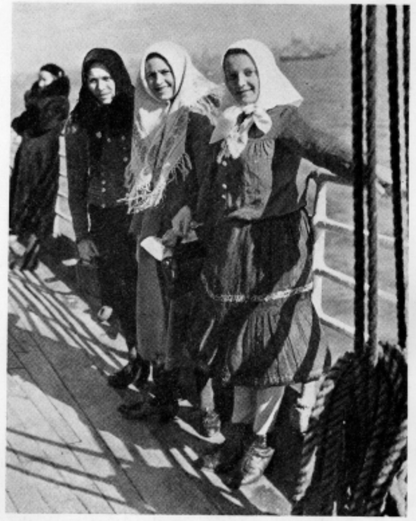
NEW ENGLAND'S EXPERIENCE IS ONE OF ITS VALUABLE AND GREAT ASSETS

The People of New England Have Learned a Lot, and It Can Be of Great Help to Them

A lot of people outside of New England have looked at this section and said, "It's going down hill. It isn't growing. Look how many industries have moved out of New England, and then look how they have grown in other sections of the country. See how the cotton-textile industry has moved to the South, how the shoe industry has moved out West. It certainly looks as though New England was at the end of its rope." The chances are that they don't know what they're talking about. And here's why.

Back in 1890, for instance, about a half million people came to this country to find work, and most of them came from Europe or from Canada. They came in this large number, year after year. In the three years 1905, 1906 and 1907, more than a million people came to the United States each year—all of them, with few exceptions, from Europe and from Canada. When all these people got here, they went to work just as near the Eastern part of the country as possible. There wasn't much sense in traveling to the West, when there was work right here in New England, and in the cities well

Great farms in the Midwest were built up by emigrants who overflowed the Eastern cities when these latter cities had grown up. The American empire moved west. (Ewing-Galloway Photo)



Millions of people used to enter this country each year and New England was one of their first stopping points. For the past twenty years very few people have come into the country. Immigration expansion has stopped. (Acme Photo)

east of Chicago. They got jobs in Boston, in mill towns all over New England. Very few of them went South because there weren't any mills there.

Naturally this large number of people which came into the country, made the cities and towns where they took up work, grow very fast. Sooner or later these same cities and towns had absorbed most of the people who had come to look for work, so the newcomers had to move more and more to the West to find work. They went on to Detroit, to Chicago, to cities and towns all through Ohio, Illinois and Indiana, and some of them went to the Pacific coast. Millions of others settled on farms in the middle west, and set up the great grain and corn country that is now so important and large. As soon as the cities in the East, and in New England had absorbed most of the people that they could hold, these people went on to other cities and towns, and gradually built up the western part of the country.

Even though there was a great movement of people to the West, New England and the East still grew fast in an industrial way. The people who went to the West to find work, and to live, landed in cities and towns that had few houses,

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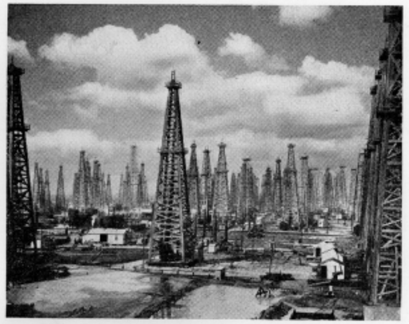

Discovery of oil was one of the dramatic things that led millions of people to the West. Even now in Texas there is great expansion because of recent oil developments. (Ewing-Galloway Photo)

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few buildings. These new cities needed a lot of development before they could take care of the people who had moved into them. At the same time, the only parts of the country that could supply the building materials, the clothing and the food for these new cities in the West were the factories and the farms in the East. So, although the East didn't continue to grow so much in numbers of people, it kept on growing in the size of the industries that it had, for it supplied the materials that enabled the West to grow up.

One way to look at this gigantic movement of people to the United States is to know that in the thirty years between 1880 and 1911, over 18,000,000 people came to this country from Europe and Canada. But in the thirty years from 1911 to 1941, less than ten million people came to this country, and most of this ten million came between 1912 and 1921, when the Immigration Act went into effect. Since 1921 immigration has pretty nearly stopped.

Rich in Natural Resources

You can easily see what happened then. The people who had gone to the West, soon became settled in their own cities and towns. They started factories of their own. They built their own houses, their own stores, they started to make themselves just as self-sufficient as possible. And one extremely important thing also happened. They found that in many areas where they had settled, there were raw materials right at hand that they hadn't dreamed of. Up in Minnesota, they found enormous iron mines. In Texas they found and are still finding oil wells. Zinc, copper and tin deposits were discovered. Coal mines were opened up. They found that they could graze cattle profitably, that they could raise many kinds of grains and vegetables they didn't think possible. In California they were able to grow many kinds of fruits. Wherever these people went, many new hundreds of opportunities were opened up to them through discovering raw materials in the earth that they settled on.

West Has Outgrown the East

As fast as these raw materials were discovered, it became necessary to build factories, railroads, roads, and all kinds of businesses that were a great deal different from those in the East. Within a comparatively short time, the cities and towns of the West and Middle West grew as large, and in many cases much larger than the cities and towns in the East, larger especially than those in New England. In 1890 Detroit had a population of slightly over 200,000 people, but in 1930 it had over a million and a half. Compare this with Boston. In 1890 Boston had a population of over 400,000 people—twice that of Detroit, but in 1930 Boston's population had increased to only about 780,000 people, or half that of Detroit. Take a city like Houston, Texas. In 1890 Houston had a population of a little over 27,000 people, just about the same as the population of Portland, Maine, in the same year. But by 1930, Houston's population had increased to nearly 300,000 people, but Portland's had only gone up to 70,000. It isn't hard at all to see how cities in the West and parts of the South had grown, following the growth of cities in the East and in New England.

This doesn't mean at all that these newer cities have any greater future at the present time, than

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This photo of Chicago in 1865 of what is one of the busiest corners in the world, State and Madison Sts., would not be recognized today, the city has grown so fast—far faster than many Eastern cities; but perhaps its growth is over. (INS Photo)

The skyline of Houston, Texas, is a reflection of the expansion that this city experienced; growing from a population of 27,000 in 1890 to 300,000 40 years later. (Keystone Photo)

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the cities of Boston, Portland, Fall River, or any others in New England. In fact, it may mean that there's a greater future ahead of New England cities. In the first place, the cities in the West and South are in the same position that Boston, and other New England cities were in years ago.

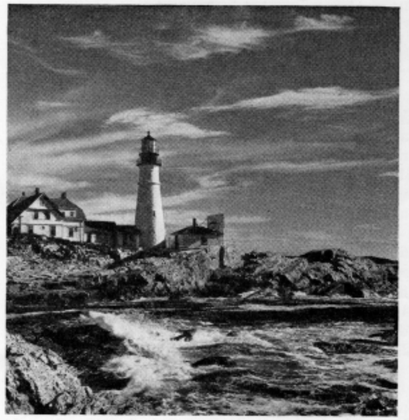
New Englanders Know How

The western cities have grown very fast, but at one time, Boston, Portland, Biddeford, and all New England cities grew very fast. For the past thirty years a good many of the cities in New England have slowed down a great deal, and they have had to adjust themselves to the drastic changes that come with this slowing down. For this reason they have one great advantage over cities that have just stopped growing—they know how to take care of themselves when things don't always go their ways. They know what it is to have to fight hard for business. Their industries know that they have to work hard to hold their positions. The railroads know all the things they have to do to keep going. And in addition, cities and sections that have had hard going, have weeded out most all the unstable and impermanent businesses and people. They have got down to bed rock in their ways of living, so they know what it's like. Compared to a city or a section that has, for the first time, faced hard times, the city that has known this condition for a long time is in a far more favorable position. In a sense "it knows all the answers."

The time is coming when many of the sections and cities in the South and West that have benefited from the growth of the country in the past twenty years will also find that they are face to face with a staple population, with industries that are moving away, with railroads that are having a hard time, with the same conditions that New England has had to contend with for the past twenty years. If the people of New England realize that they have been through such conditions, and that they are now in the fortunate position of being able to build up again, and on a more secure foundation, then they can't help but see that they have the advantage of *experience* that few other people in the country have had.

Firm Belief By People Necessary

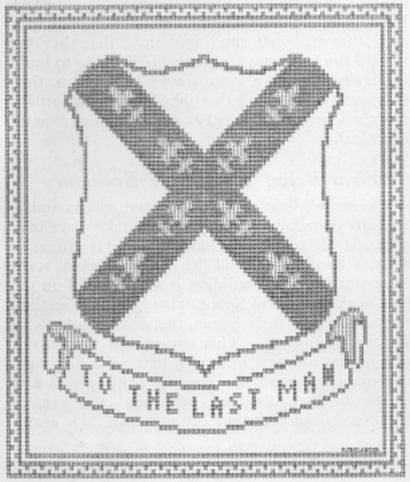
The rebuilding of New England, of its industries, its cities, and its people won't take place over night. It will take a good long time, and it will mean a lot of hard work. And the most important starting point for this rebuilding is a firm belief on the part of the people in New England, in their section, their industries, their homes, their cities and towns, and in themselves. This enthusiasm for growth along what are new lines and new ways of living, can overcome even the greatest handicaps. The people of New England overcame even greater handicaps once, and they certainly can do it again.



A symbol of Portland is Portland Head Light. As an Eastern city that has a new future ahead of it, even though it has grown slowly, this city is typical of others in New England that can grow again in new ways. (Ewing-Galloway Photo)

103RD INFANTRY ONE OF OLDEST UNITS IN AMERICA

Served Well in Many Wars



This emblem, typographed by Rosaire Belanger, is the insignia of the 103d Maine Infantry. Its slogan "To the Last Man" is typical of its history in practically all wars this country has fought, both on this continent and overseas.

Bangor, Maine, established the first company of Volunteer Infantry in the United States. Existing at the time were two companies of State Militia, the Grattan Guards and the Bangor Light Infantry. Thus, the present regiment—the 103rd Infantry—was originally made up of the Volunteer Infantry and the two units of State Militia.

During the conflict between the North and South the Second Maine was the first to leave the state for the center of the war, being among the first New England regiments arriving in Virginia. Upon the retiring of Gen. McDowell's army, it was detailed as rear guard and was attacked by the Black Horse Cavalry which it routed completely.

Assigned to Major Battles

The regiment was assigned to many of the major battles including Yorktown; Gaine's Hill, where it captured the colors of the 5th Alabama Regiment; Antietam; Stone Bridge; Sharpsburg; and Fredericksburg. It was engaged in 13 battles, distinguishing itself on each occasion; and during its service, the regiment never received a word of censure.

In Spanish-American War

On May 2, 1898, the regiment was called out for duty in the Spanish-American War. Following the war the regiment was again formed as militia. On June 19, 1916, it was hurriedly mobilized and rushed to the Mexican Border. It was mustered out four months later.

In Heavy Fighting in France

The 103rd embarked for Brest, France, Sept. 25, 1917. The regiment went into the lines north of Soissons, then moved to the Neufchateau area, then the Toul sector where it remained until removed to the Chateau Thierry sector where it participated in the great counter attacks. After being relieved at Chateau Thierry the regiment spent ten days in the Chatillon-sur-Seine area and later participated in the closing of the St. Mihiel salient.

Mustered Out at Camp Devens

When the Armistice was signed on Nov. 11, 1918, the regiment was northeast of Verdun and was experiencing heavy fighting up to and including the morning of the Armistice. The regiment sailed from Brest March 28, 1919, arriving in Boston Harbor April 6 and was mustered out of service at Camp Devens April 28.

Factual History

Company A, 103rd Inf. Biddeford, dates its history to Jan. 21, 1918, when Company D, Third Maine Infantry, was accepted by the State. Its

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Looks as if Pvt. Robert Roy would get there before the fire started. Bob was employed in 15-5, Biddeford, before going to Camp Blanding, Florida.

Camp Blanding's brain trust just before going into a huddle. They are Private Hood, Sgt. Ledeaux, Sgt. Parenteau.

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officers were Capt. Erwin R. Gowen, 1st Lieut. George C. Carter and 2nd Lieut. Jos. H. Provencher. The unit was Federally recognized April 24, 1918.

Has Had Five Captains

Provencher resigned and was succeeded by William H. Deering on May 6, 1918. In August, Capt. Gowen and Lieut. Deering resigned to attend an officer's Training Camp at Camp Lee, Virginia, and Thomas B. Walker and Wilbur H. Dewey were elected Captain and First Lieutenant, respectively.

On March 1, 1921, the unit was redesignated Co. A, Third Maine Infantry. Capt. Walker was promoted to Major, First Battalion and Dewey to Captain. On Aug. 20, 1921, Sydney B. Harris was commissioned Second Lieutenant.

Capt. Carter Resigns—Harris Appointed

The unit was redesignated on Jan. 1, 1922 as Co. A, 103rd Infantry. In October, 1927, Capt. Dewey resigned and the following appointments were made: Captain George C. Carter; 1st Lieut., Sydney B. Harris; 2nd Lieut., Arthur S. Hamilton. After 13 years of faithful and efficient service, Capt. Carter resigned because of ill health. On May 5, 1940, the following men were promoted: Capt. Sydney B. Harris, 1st Lieut. Arthur Hamilton, 2nd Lieut. Jesse F. Wheeler.

Company Now at Blanding

The company served during the 1934 textile strike, the flood of March, 1936, and the 1937 shoe strike. On March 11th this year they left for Camp Blanding, Florida, for a year's training.

A history of Company A would be incomplete without paying respect to the efficient and loyal support of its enlisted personnel, who have made possible the record this unit has enjoyed during the past 23 years of its service.

MAINE COMES TO BOSTON AND BOTH LIKE IT

Mary Pendleton of Pepperell's Boston sales office handles a great amount of the detail of the hundreds of orders that come through this department each week. They of course are largely orders for the Biddeford, Lewiston and Fall River Mills.

Nearly every retailer or buyer of Pepperell products in the New England district has either seen, or talked over the phone with Miss Mary Pendleton who has charge of office details in the sales department at Boston.

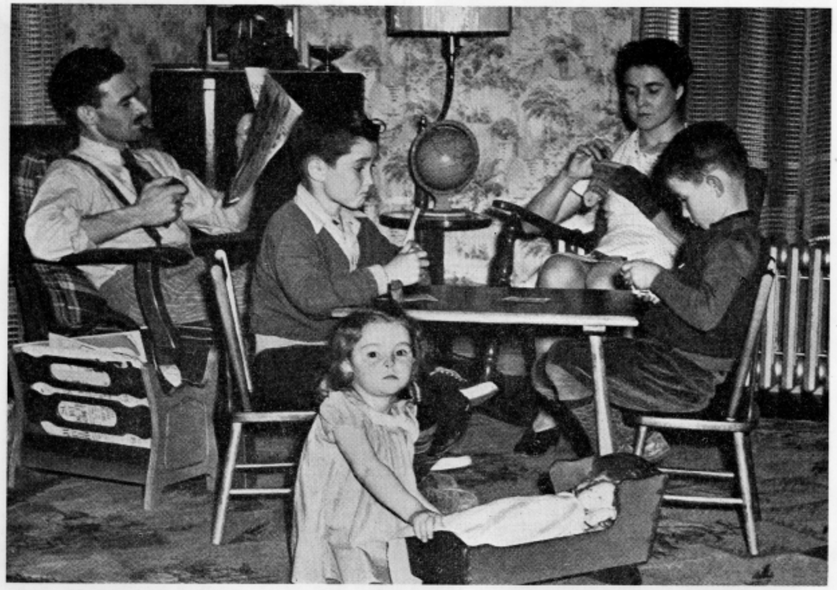
The State of Maine Claims Her

Mary was born in Northport, Maine, a coastal town near Belfast. She attended grammar school in Somerville, Mass., and got her education by being graduated from Simmons College in the Class of '26. She secured her first employment with the Pendergast Candy Company which may account in part for her sweet and pleasing disposition.

Two years later, Miss Pendleton came to Pepperell and was assigned to the stenographic department where she remained for a short time before being transferred to the statistical department. But the purchasing department needed a live wire employee and Mary answered the call. Later she was promoted to the sales department and has remained there for eleven years.

Miss Pendleton has charge of all Boston sales office details and very capably assists the buyers who visit the Boston sales office. For the past several years Mary has acted as chairman of many social activities conducted by the Boston office force. Golf is her hobby but she is an expert in "doodling" or drawing character sketches of the person she is talking with over the phone.

THE GERARD GRENIERS ARE A FINE FAMILY



After a day's work at the bleachery and darkness has fallen, the Grenier family settle down for a nice quiet evening at home with Dad reading the paper, Mother darning socks, the boys playing cards and Rachel putting "her family" to sleep. A typical American scene in a typical American home.

The Grenier home, located at 13 Bradford Street in Lewiston, is 24x32 feet, has six rooms and a garage under the house, with the entrance directly under the back porch. They have all modern conveniences. Mr. Grenier estimates that it costs no more to build than to rent over a period of years.

Mrs. Grenier, with all the necessary implements and ingredients, is preparing to bake some nice home-made biscuits. Notice the large amount of closet space, the envy of every housewife. To the right of the sink and not shown in this picture is an electric refrigerator.

THE GRENIERS BUILT A COMFORTABLE HOME FOR THEIR CHILDREN

All the Comforts in a Compact, Attractive House

Add to the growing group of Pepperell people who have built or are building their own homes, Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Grenier of Lewiston. And add their names as some of the most enthusiastic believers in a good home for a good and growing family.

About five years ago, they were visiting friends one evening, and the home in which they were visiting was planned just about the way the Greniers had always wanted. So enthused were they that within a few weeks, they had selected a lot and started to build.

A Well Planned Home

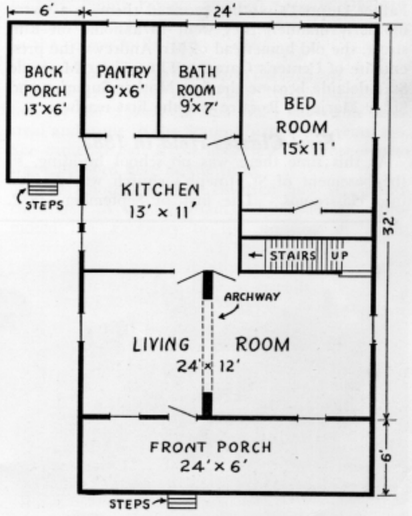
The result is a fine modern home located at "Thorn's Corner", about two miles from their work in Lewiston. The lot is 116x75 feet which is sufficiently large enough to have a little garden and with ample space for their three children to play on. The house, 24x32 feet, has six rooms; three bedrooms 12x15; a large kitchen and pantry with an electric refrigerator, built in ironing board and other modern fixtures; and a fine tiled bathroom. The home is heated by a hot water heating system with radiator in every room in the house.

Satisfaction Offers Contentment

Mr. Grenier painted the house himself and also graded the lawn with 200 trailer loads of filling and loam. The home is equipped with storm windows and screens, and beneath the house is his garage. So satisfied are the Greniers with their home that they made the statement that if they were to build another they would design it just like their present one.

Mr. Grenier was born at St. Leon, Frontenac County, Quebec, and has been employed at the Bleachery for twelve years. He has a fine singing voice and can play nearly all stringed instruments. Mrs. Grenier was born in Livermore and has been a Doubler at the Sheet Factory for six years. They have three children, Gerard, Jr., 9; Roger, 7; and Rachel, 3. The boys attend Holy Family School, about a five minute walk from the home.

While Mother does the ironing on a board concealed in the wall when not in use, Gerard, Jr., reads "The Pepperell Sheet". Bisou, the Pup, seems to feel the heat from the iron. A portion of an electric refrigerator is shown on the left. A door on the right leads to the bathroom.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

This compact floor plan of the Grenier home shows the very large living room with one end which can be converted into a dining room. The photograph of the house on the left and the story of how the Greniers planned it is in the adjoining column.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL IN BIDDEFORD WAS STARTED BY TWO NUNS IN 1882

Now a Large and Successful Institution

The years 1882 and 1887 are important dates in the history of St. Joseph's school in Biddeford. Rev. Father P. E. Dupont, Curate of the only Franco-American church in the city, realized the dire need of a parochial school to teach the increasing number of French children scientific and commercial knowledge.

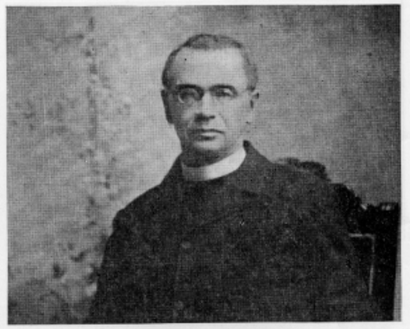
A delegation was sent to the Superior of the Good Shepherd of Quebec City explaining the story. Father Dupont later received a favorable reply to his wishes. About August, 1882, with the consent of His Emminence Cardinal Taschereau of Quebec (who was born in Ste. Marie, the birthplace of many of our employees) two Nuns left a Quebec convent to come here and take up new duties in the educational field.

First Mother Superior Arrives

After a few days spent at the rectory where Father Dupont's mother received them in a warm motherly manner, they went to a home on Elm street, the old homestead of Mr. Andrews, the present site of Center's Garage. Thus, Sister Marie de St. Adelaide became the first Mother Superior and Sister Marie de Rosaire was the first teacher.

First Classes Held in 1882

At this time there was no school building, so the basement of St. Joseph's church was divided into classrooms. The first of September, 1882, marks the date of the first classes after church services were held in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A program of English and French courses was adopted after the principle of Normal schools in Quebec. Commercial and academic courses, suitable to the needs of French Canadians, were pursued.



The Rev. Father P. E. DuPont, who was Curate of St. Joseph's School in Biddeford from 1877 to 1915. He came to the school shortly after it started and devoted a great amount of time and energy for long years to this institution.

On June 19, 1885, the Rev. Sisters du Bon Pasteur took possession of their convent on Adams street. This was the home of Ferguson Haynes, a former Agent of Pepperell. The purchase price was $20,000.

Construction of St. Joseph's Started in 1887

Then in 1887 or ten years after the arrival of

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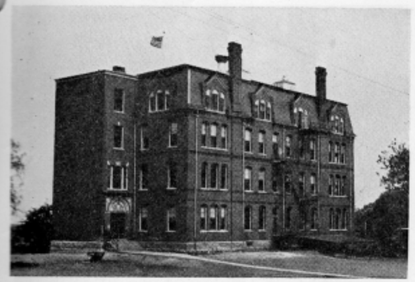
The convent of the Rev. Sisters du Bon Pasteur as seen from Birch Street. This building was first occupied by the Sisters on June 19, 1885. The building was purchased from Mr. Haynes, a former Pepperell agent.

Boys who graduate from St. Joseph's School pursue a high school course at this school, St. Louis de Gonzaque, taught by the Brothers. The girls remain at St. Joseph's and study a high school course taught by the Nuns.



St. Joseph's School in Biddeford as seen from Birch Street. In 1887 a contract was signed to erect this "little red schoolhouse". In 1918 the left wing and fire escapes were added. During Monsignor Laflamme's administration, the school has undergone further modern improvements.

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Father Dupont, a contract was signed by Contractor Joseph Smith to erect the present St. Joseph's school. This is located adjacent to the Convent.

Monsignor A. A. Hamel was Curate of St. Joseph's parish from 1916 to 1919. It was during his administration that the left wing and fire escapes were added to the building.

Building Modernized Under Monsignor Laflamme

In 1920, Monsignor J. A. Laflamme became Curate, and it marked a date of love and devotion for causes dear to all. Since Father Laflamme has been Curate, the sprinkler system, electrical system and modern toilets have been installed. Because of the increased number of pupils attending, the class rooms have been revamped and the teaching staff increased.

Thus, the past 59 years have seen marked changes in the development of St. Joseph's school. Many of our business and professional men are graduates of this school.

MRS. KNOTT LEARNED TO WEAVE IN ENGLAND

Mrs. Emma Knott, Fall River employee, had concluded her duties at the Fall River Mill and was catching up on her reading when the photographer came along.

April 30th, this year, marked the date of eleven years of faithful service in our Fall River Division by Mrs. Emma Knott. She was born in Oldham, Lancashire, England, and was employed as a weaver in the cotton mills there.

Son is Night Superintendent

Perhaps it was the lure of adventure which sought her, for she crossed the "puddle", landed in Montreal and came to the States, thirty-seven years ago. She came to Fall River because of a brother who was employed here at the time.

Mrs. Knott has four children and six grandchildren. A son, William Whitehead, was promoted last February to the position of Night Superintendent of the Fall River plant.

With her friendly disposition and cooperative spirit, she has made a host of friends.

Theode Langevin, Weaver in 13-1, is shown working in his rock garden, which is probably the largest and most beautiful in Biddeford. There are over 2,000 plants, 250 varieties, and 800 rocks to form a beautiful array of colors. He has had 15 years' experience with rock gardens and attends to five estates at Biddeford Pool outside of working hours. Mrs. Langevin is employed in the sheeting division. They have seven children.

CHANGES IN No. 2 MILL IN BIDDEFORD GOING ALONG AT FAST PACE

New Lighting, New Toilets to be Installed

The major job of revamping No. 2 Mill at Biddeford in preparation for manufacturing Peeress sheeting is well under way but it may be several months yet before it will be wholly completed. This unit with all of its modern operating equipment will be one of the finest if not the best of its kind in the country.

Latest Type Fluorescent Lighting

The cost of the change-over cannot be exactly determined until the work is completed but will probably run well up to $60,000. Fluorescent lighting of the white tube type will include 600 units which will furnish uniform distribution of light, improving working conditions over the regular incandescent lamps and reflectors. (See Page 4).

New and Modern Toilets Installed

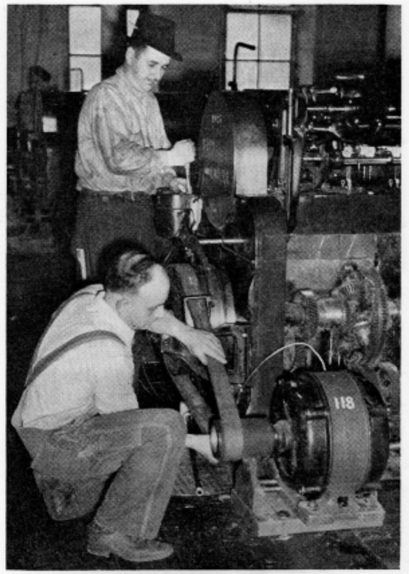
Present toilet equipment is to be sold as junk, and will be replaced with the most modern plumbing and toilet fixtures available. Lavatories will have hot and cold water. The large roomy dressing room floors and toilet floors will be of cement with the entire set up conforming to all state sanitation laws and to be installed under the specifications of the Walsh Healy Act.

Each Room to be Reconditioned

The entire building will be reconditioned throughout. New flooring is being laid in 21-B and all other floors will be repaired. All doors and fire doors will be repaired and reconditioned. The humidifying system will be reconditioned according to up-to-date methods of installation with latest type controls for relative humidity. When the above work is completed the painters will take over and paint these rooms the same color scheme as in some of the other recently decorated rooms. That is, the dado will be grey, the walls white with a two inch black stripe separating the two colors. The ceilings will also be white.

Each Floor, Unit in Itself

A large amount of credit for this change-over is given to the management and engineering departments supervised by the plant Superintendent, Harry Smith, who drew the plans for this systematic machinery layout. Only regular Pepperell yarns will be made in rooms 23-A, B and C which makes this floor a unit in itself. No trucking of product will be required between floors thus making the rooms balanced 100% as to production.



John Sheehan, electrician, and Amedee Mercier, of the belt shop, are working on one of the frames in 23-B which will produce regular Pepperell roving. This view shows the gear type compound on the frame.

Skillful Engineering Job

The floor below, or rooms 22-A, B and C will produce only Lady Pepperell yarns, which also is a unit by itself. Peeress, blanket and towel yarns will be made on the floor below; so really each floor supports itself in production. This change-over entailed considerable planning by arranging and placing the proper amount of machines to support each floor unit to produce the even and proper flow of material.

The combers and feed hoppers, for the Peeress division, are new machines; but there has been considerable work done in changing over the equip-

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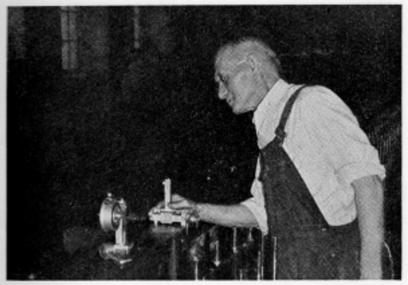

With forty years' experience on textile machinery behind him, Dan Kelley of the Saco Lowell Shops is shown converting a roving frame to the J 3 type. Mr. Kelley recently returned from Manila.

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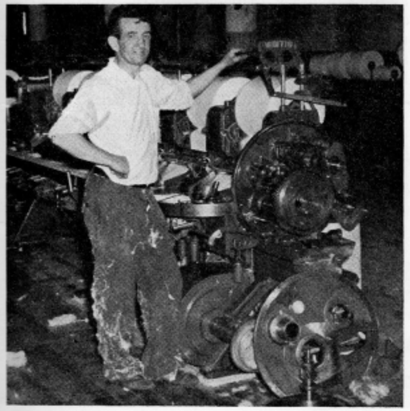
ment on some of the present frames to meet the demands of this new division.

The Net Results

To sum this all up, simply means that the change-over alone will produce a payroll of nearly $50,000; seventy additional employees to operate the new division; more pleasant operating conditions for the employees; the most modern machinery and equipment that can be purchased; and a mill that everyone in Biddeford can be proud of.



John Daley operates the cards in 21-B which produce the sliver for Peeress sheeting. He is shown here beside the head end of a comber with casing removed to make adjustments.

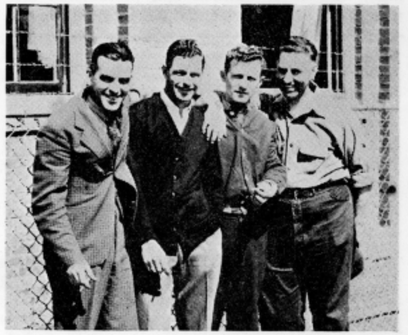
MANY MILLS MAKE A VARIETY OF ARMY NEEDS

Include Mosquito Nets, Pistol Belts

It takes a lot of things to make an army and navy, and these things involve a great deal more than guns, ships, ammunition and planes. Recently, in one of the trade papers of the textile industry, there were notices of what the army and the navy was ready to buy. Here are a few of these things that were needed on one particular day. Multiply these wants by a thousand, and you can see how many people are making both the large and small equipment that's necessary for a well equipped army or navy.

The army wanted to buy 250,000 mosquito headnets made of muslin. It wanted to buy 2,200 pairs of nurses' gloves made of grey suede cloth, a quantity of unbleached cotton sheeting, a large quantity of folding cots, 60,000 special belts for holding revolvers and pistols, 100,000 cloth covered fibre helmets, and 1,600 Military Police shoulder straps. On the same day the Navy wanted to buy 600 tubes of black linen thread.

These orders are a small sample of the thousands of articles that are taken for granted but which are essential to running an Army. 250,000 mosquito nets may look like a small item, but to soldiers who might have to fight in swamps where infectious insects are prevalent, these nets would be all important. Right at that time they'd be more important than guns.



This quartet of young men is employed in the can room at Lewiston. They are Romeo Olivier, Herbie Rolerson, Bob Tiner and Bob Cooper.

A WARPER BY DAY AND A BARBER BY NIGHT

Imelda Levesque Wields a Skilled Razor

"Next good looking gentleman!" This familiar remark comes from the lips of nearly all tonsorial artists in the country. This time from Miss Imelda Levesque, a young lady who is employed at the Fall River mill during the day and operates her own barber shop each evening and Saturday.

Practice Makes Perfect

Ever since Imelda was a young girl, she always had a fancy to cut hair. She even took her mother's scissors and cut the golden locks from her dolls, to satisfy her own thoughts on the proper hair-do of her play dolls. After securing employment in the mill, the larger part of the lunch hour would be spent trimming the hair of her co-workers.

Has Shop of Her Own

So interested was she in this art that she took a course in barbering and graduated from the Vaughn School of Barbering in Providence. The same week she was graduated, Imelda was employed at a barber shop at Globe Corners and remained there for five years. Later she opened a shop of her own at 855 Broadway where she is now located.

Many Pepperell Customers

Her shop, in a color scheme of cream and green, has all modern equipment. Her ten years' experience has led her to shave and cut the hair of many Fall River business and professional men with many Pepperell men on her long list of regular customers. She tells us that men are just as "fussy" as women when it comes to cutting hair and especially when it comes to trimming side bars.

"Once over lightly" was the request of this customer. Miss Levesque sharpens all of her own implements in first class manner. There is a radio for the use of her customers.

Employed in Rayon Division

Miss Levesque was born in Fall River, attended schools there and secured her first job, drawing-in at the Conanicut Mill; later, in the same capacity at the Ahcona Mills, then the silk mills at Pawtucket. Imelda came to Pepperell five years ago as a web drawer and has been employed on the Rayon Warper frames for the past two years.

Age is no limit when it comes to customers in Imelda's barber shop. We think this young man's hair cut looks pretty good. Miss Levesque has had ten years' experience at the trade.

Miss Levesque's daily work at the Fall River Mill consists of supplying the warper frames with rayon yarn. She has been employed in this department for two years.

MRS. ANDRIANNA LAROSE RETIRES AT BIDDEFORD MILL

Has Given 58 Years' Faithful Service

Back in 1881, a young lady, ten years of age, came to Pepperell and was employed as a spinner in the present number five mill. Recently she retired after 58 years of faithful and efficient service. Her name is Mrs. Andrianna Larose.

Worked a 12 Hour Day

She was a spinner in number 5 mill and received wages of 75 cents a day when employees were paid once a month and the mill operated from sunrise to sunset. This was before electricity was used for lighting and the Second Hand went through the room each afternoon and lit the gas lights. Ernest Morrill, who later became Agent, was the Second Hand of her department.

After approximately nine years there, she was transferred to doffing in room 15-2 under Second Hand Belanger. Later when the blanket division was moved here she worked for Overseer Frank Matley in room 14-4. When this department was moved to room 11-2 she again was transferred. When she retired on April 30th she was employed in room 15-3.

Her Biography in Brief

At the age of 17, she was married to Noe Larose, deceased, who at the time was a loomfixer in room 13-1. Five children were born to them; a boy and four girls. Two of the daughters, Mrs. Edward Paquin and Mrs. Mae Ruth Sicard, were formerly employed here many years. The son Albert Larose is a Fixer in room 13-1 and has been employed by Pepperell for 41 years.

She is a fine type of woman and a living example of splendid character. We wish her the best of health and happiness and trust that on her daily walks she will drop in and see her many friends in the plant.

BIDDEFORD AND LEWISTON SPLIT BOWLING HONORS

First the Men Win—Then the Girls Win

Bowling is one of the most popular sports in America and can be enjoyed by anyone who can lift a ball. Bowling was known as far back as 1200 A.D. and during the Middle Ages it is said that a king of England prohibited the sport because his nobility and soldiers preferred bowling on the green, to archery and military sports.

Many Prizes Awarded Bowlers

The Biddeford contests reigned hot and heavy during each week of play. To the winning individuals and teams, our company offered a choice of a blanket or towels in recognition of their bowling skill. The Pepperell Sheet has offered each man on the winning teams a charm or medal which may be displayed on their watch chains; and to each member on the winning girls' team a very attractive pin. Prizes were awarded at the Banquet held at Old Orchard on May 17th.

Scores and Individual Averages

Highest Single

T. Shevenell	1st Shift	137 Pins
O. Belair	2nd Shift	131 Pins
Constance Hartley	1st Shift	124 Pins

Highest 3 String Total

W. Smith	1st Shift	326 Pins
J. Dufault	2nd Shift	340 Pins
Pauline Boutet	1st Shift	329 Pins

Greatest Improvement

E. McDuffey	1st Shift	12.5% Increase
A. Grenier	2nd Shift	11.2% Increase
Blanche Garneau	1st Shift	10.5% Increase

Lowest Single

J. Frates	1st Shift	58 Pins
J. Bouthot	2nd Shift	58 Pins
Mina Wright	1st Shift	52 Pins

One Each for Lewiston and Biddeford Teams

Lewiston and Biddeford teams split the maples twice during the year. Biddeford journeyed to Lewiston on April 18th with the Lewiston men's team on top while the Lewiston girls went down to defeat. A return match was held on May 10th at Old Orchard with the Biddeford men's team coming out the victors while the Biddeford girls' team bowed to Lewiston.

THEY MAKE THE WHEELS GO 'ROUND AND 'ROUND AT LEWISTON

Boiler Room Crew Runs One of Finest Plants in the State of Maine, For the Bleachery

The steam plant at the Lewiston Division is one of the finest and cleanest in the State of Maine.

This plant consists of three horizontal water tube boilers of 25,000 pounds per hour, maximum capacity, and operated by underfed stokers; and one two drum vertical water tube boiler with a capacity of 72,000 pounds per hour. This boiler is fired by pulverized fuel and operates consistently at 80,000 pounds or 10,000 lbs. above rating. The average boiler efficiency of the plant averages 80.5%.

There is also a Wickes vertical water tube boiler with a capacity of 9,000 pounds of steam per hour. The fuel for this is waste wood from the box shop. In this way, all of the waste wood is utilized.

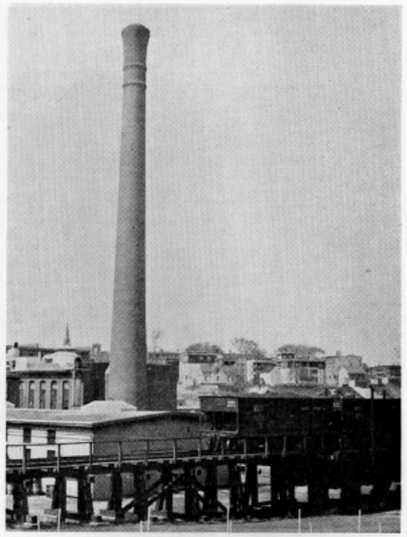
Uptake draft for the boilers is furnished by a brick chimney, 203 feet tall and 8 feet inside diameter at the top. In conjunction with this there are three forced draft fans, two being used simultaneously, the other as a spare. Two are motor driven, the third by steam in case electrical power fails.

Pound of Water Equals Pound of Steam

Daily output in steam averages 1,600,000 pounds in the winter and 1,350,000 pounds in the summer. The difference is due to the heat load. A pound of water converts into a pound of steam; or a total of 192,000 gallons per day in winter and 162,000 gallons in summer.

Pumps Are Heart of Plant

The water is pumped into the boilers by two turbine driven, centrifugal pumps. These pumps are really the heart of the plant for should they fail, the plant could not operate five minutes. All this water must be treated to prevent scale formation. This is a very important factor and is given careful attention. The H_2O is tested twice daily.



Rising majestically skyward from the boilers is this 203 foot stack. Coal from the cars is hauled by truck to the tank which holds 38 tons. About 78 tons of coal a day is consumed in the winter time.

All Coal is Pulverized

About 18,000 tons of coal a year are unloaded from cars on a trestle and hauled to the plant in a dump truck. The fuel is then hoisted by conveyor to a tank which holds 38 tons. From there it is fed by gravity to the coal scales, then to the pulverizer boiler and by screw conveyors to the stokers. All coal is efficiently handled in the yard by Messrs. Ames and Paulin.

Personnel Operate Plant Successfully

Messrs. Therriault and Turcotte are the firemen on the first shift; Frechette and Piselli on the second and Bernier and Paradis on the third. All deserve much credit for the successful operation of the plant and through long years of experience they have learned how to deal with emergencies as they arise.

Frank Jackson, the Tap man, sees to it that no steam goes to waste. Frank has started raising chickens and his co-workers say that when he goes

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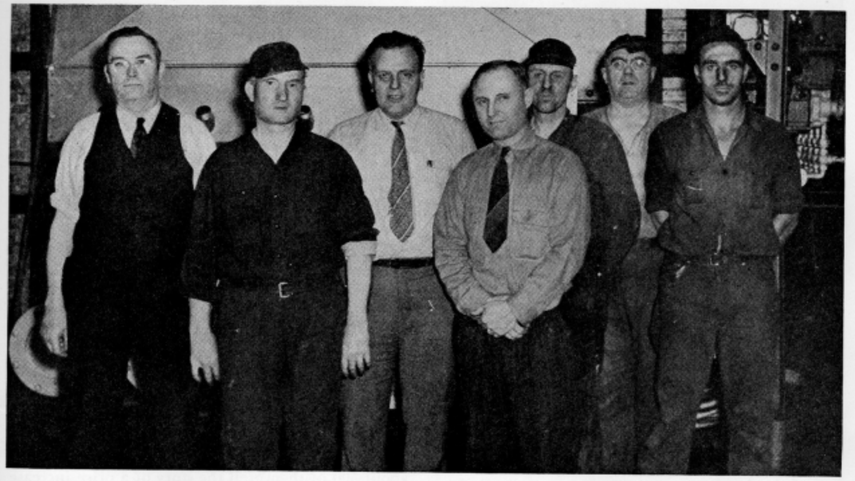
SEVEN "GUYS" WHO KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS ABOUT MAKING STEAM AND PLENTY OF IT



These are the men who operate Lewiston's steam plant. Left to right they are: Peter Therriault, Joe Piselli, Harold Blanchard, engineer, Frank Jackson, Armand Turcotte, Honore Frechette and Laurel Ames.

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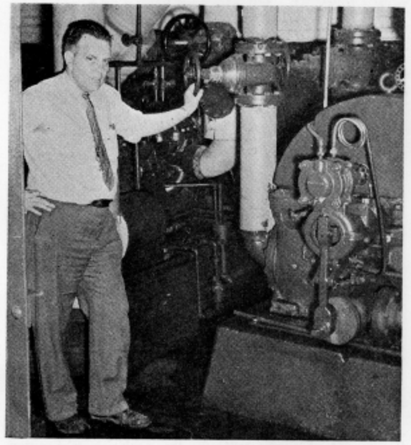
home nights he picks up all feathers and makes pillows for the Pepperell pillow slips.

Engineer Blanchard, Man of Experience

Harold C. Blanchard is Engineer in charge of the plant and came to Pepperell from the International Paper Co. on November 15, 1940. He is married and has two sons, Phillip who is 18 years of age and a Sophomore at Bates, majoring in Chemistry; and Jane who is 12 and in the seventh grade at the Jordan school.

Mr. Blanchard has enjoyed his service with Pepperell and is extremely proud of the plant. He has had considerable experience as a power plant engineer with the International and Oxford Paper Companies, having trained under some of the best engineers in the country with intensive study of power plant operations.



Engineer Harold Blanchard stands beside the pumps which force water into the boilers. These pumps are known as the heart of the plant for it could not operate without them.

NEW ENGLAND SALES OFFICE HELPS THE MILLS

Keeps a Flow of Orders Coming In

We here at the Mills and Bleachery "produce the goods" for the public to purchase, but it takes the sales department to keep the wheels of industry in our plant, in motion. In our Boston office, Richard Freeman is New England Sales Manager and he is ably assisted by Howard Aborn, who handles the retailing and jobbing trade in New England; Victor Wade takes care of customers around Boston; and Miss Mary Pendleton assists the buyers who come into our own office. See page 7.

Procedure in Selling Fabrics

After a salesman has sold a bill of goods, an order is made out, and a copy goes to the Mill or Bleachery, to the customer, billing dept., credit dept. in New York and to the domestics or rayon departments. The credit department ascertains the financial condition of a concern so as to eliminate any uncollectable bills. The domestics department sells sheetings, sheets and cases that the Biddeford mills and Lewiston Bleachery handle. The rayon department sells rayon, made in Fall River.

Pepperell Covers Old Customers

This is the routine work of the sales department. But suppose there is a price change of 5%; or the cost of goods is to increase 5%. A couple of days would be given the sales department to cover their old customers. They would then phone or wire all their New England customers (and there are about 500 of them) tell the story of a price increase on the goods and ask them to wire back their orders immediately to the office.

This 5% increase is handled by deducting this from their discount. Assuming a customer gets a 25% discount, he now would only have 20% off. These orders are then sent to the various departments in routine manner.

Joseph Lessard is dumping a wheelbarrow load of cement for the flooring of a new toilet for the machinists at Lewiston. Phillip Morrisiette (left), mason's helper, will spread out the mixture. The room is 18 feet square and will contain modern plumbing fixtures.

Jackie Connelly, 10 month old son of John Connolly, who is employed in the tabulating office at Biddeford. What Jackie can't think of to tease his mother, his daddy can.

New England Retailers Protected

In the New England district, all Lady Pepperell products are confined to one retailer in each city or town. This of course is done to protect the retailer. Three examples of this are Nichols & Co. in Biddeford, Mc Whirr's in Fall River and B. Peck at Lewiston. Only these three stores sell Lady Pepperell's in these three cities. Regular Pepperell products are sold to jobbers and consequently go to several stores in the same city.

Pepperell's New England Sales Manager

From office boy to sales manager of the New England district in seven years is the record of "Dick" Freeman. Quite often he visits our three mills and is therefore no stranger to many of the employees.

Born in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where he lived a short time, before his family moved to

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Chicago where he attended Grammar schools. He furthered his education by attending Wesleyan University and after coming to Boston in 1938 he studied law nights at Suffolk University Law School.

Promotions Were Rapid

Starting in with Pepperell at the New York office in 1931 as office boy, Dick's natural sense of business caused him to be promoted to the work fabrics dept., then to the conversion dept.; representative of the wash goods department in Baltimore; the rayon dept.; and a little later he was made assistant manager in the domestics dept.; followed by New England Sales Manager in July, 1938. His dynamic approach and good nature have greatly assisted him in meeting old customers and making new ones.

As a member of the B.A.T.S. (Boston Association of Textile Salesmen) he has made his presence known by walking off with many golf prizes, this year winning the club championship.

Eligible for Two Parties

Freeman is unmarried and eligible for the draft. If he does go into the Army and works as hard as he does for Pepperell, at the end of the year he will probably come back a high ranking officer with his coat supporting yards and yards of gold braid.

Miss Gladys Hamel was responsible for the fine Minstrel Show the Biddeford employees put on in the Saco City Hall, under the auspices of the Biddeford Foreman's Club.

This picture will give the folks at home a good idea of Biddeford Street at Camp Blanding. On both sides, the tents are those of Company A. The boys are getting in a little football practice.

LEWISTON BOWLERS CLOSE SEASON WITH BANQUET

The bowlers of the Lewiston plant brought a very successful season to a fitting close on Friday evening, May 2, when they gathered at the Red Devil's Clubhouse on the Sabattus Road, to enjoy one of Herb Grant's famous sea food spreads. Lobster Stew, and Salad, Hot Rolls and Strawberry Shortcake were disposed of in great quantities.

Music was furnished by a red hot Hill Billy band and after the meal the super-colossal movie, "All This and Heaven Too" was shown.

Following are the figures on the final league standing, records and averages of the eight leading bowlers. These bowlers have been awarded prizes.

TEAM STANDINGS

	Won	*Lost*	*Average*
Duchess	58	34	.630
Percale	56	36	.608
Countess	53	39	.576
Lady Pepperell	53	39	.576
Auburn	44	48	.478
Peeress	43	49	.467
Lord Pepperell	32	60	.347
Pepperell	29	63	.315

RECORDS

High Single, Pelletier	145
High Three, Buck	372
Team High Single, Peeress	579
Team High Three, Peeress	1,572

EIGHT LEADING BOWLERS

	Strings	*Pinfall*	*Average*
Driscoll	69	7,066	102.4
Parker	42	4,200	100.0
Pelletier	45	4,438	98.6
Leger	69	6,764	98.0
Joyce	66	6,365	96.4
Hennessey	30	2,888	96.2
Conley	63	6,033	95.7
LaPlante	63	6,022	95.5

WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, *Editor-in-Chief*

BLANKET NAPPING ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Joseph Downes, Antonio Guilbeault.*

¶ The second shift has just started a ten hour day. We hope it keeps up for awhile. The fellows like the time and a half when the pay checks are passed out.

¶ The boys are wondering who the new girl is who goes around the Napping Room with a pencil and pad in her hand checking up on the blankets. She sure can get around the room fast.

¶ Sonny Boy seems to have enjoyed his trip to New York recently. He's very happy about it and thinks it is quite a town.

¶ Charley Legako is back working on the second shift after an absence of about three years. Glad to see you back, Charley.

¶ Eugene Cantara is back working in the Napping Room after an absence of five months due to illness. Glad to see you back, Gene.

¶ We would like to know what Tommy Jones uses that tow rope for now that winter is over. Maybe there is some mud-hole over there in Saco that he might get stuck in. Is that right, Tom?

¶ Some of the fellows are having an awful time with their cars. Ralph especially. Not only did somebody borrow his last car without his knowing it, but when he went out to start his latest car he found where somebody had hung a large rat on the radiator cap. Then a few minutes later Harold Brown found the same animal hanging on his car.

¶ Joe Guay was also the victim of someone's prank played on his car when a bomb was put on the motor of his car. The bomb exploded with quite a commotion when he tried to start the motor. I'll bet Joe almost went right through the roof.

Just before the customary "duck", we find Clarinthe Lemire and Mabel Frappier at Ossipee Lake. Both are employed in the blanket cloth room at Biddeford.

Alice Moquin is operating one of the new Whitin automatic winders used in the rayon division of the Fall River plant. There are 24 spindles on a unit with 14 bobbins to a battery.

SHEETING SPINNING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Emelia Lariviere, Andrew Jacques, Adrien Lefebvre, Emelia Lacroix, Renald Lauzon, Fernand Lefebvre, Evelyn Collard, Isabelle Picard, Rose Baillargeon, Rose Rousselle, Warren Reed, Jeannette Lajoie, Laura Dubuc, Irene Laverriere, Lucienne Bernier, Delcia Frechette, Paul Ayotte, Martha Terlale, Leonel Perreault, Urbain Perreault, Bernadette Poissant, Yvonne Boissonneault.*

¶ News while it's still news. Censored by the Spinning Department 24-B. Every night for the past six months we've had a tin can parade. Who they are or where they come from nobody knows.

¶ Flash! Rosaire Mecquer and Dolores Lavoie are soon to tread the matrimonial path. (Since Easter Sunday Dolores has brightened the room with the flash of her beautiful stone she's wearing on her left hand.)

¶ Mrs. Almoza Boisvert has been out ill for over a month. We hope she's on the road to recovery.

¶ We welcome you Mrs. Landry of Somersworth, new spinner in 24-B, 3rd Shift.

¶ Alice is doing her part for Uncle Sam in sacrificing her boy friend to the Army.

¶ We mustn't forget our new sweeper Lucien Lavoie even if he is but 4 feet 5 inches tall.

¶ Aurea Rodrique, our new doffer in 24-B, seems to be very pleased with her new work.

¶ Lina is very handy around the oil bench.

¶ Leo Spenard's daughter has enjoyed a most wonderful trip in Washington.

¶ Mrs. Babineau has moved to Biddeford from Portland.

¶ Mrs. Delina Chretien, spinner, has been transferred from the 3rd to the 1st shift. Sorry to lose you.

¶ Mrs. Delvina Gagnon, doffer, has returned to work after a few days' illness.

¶ Mr. Lucien Vachon has left us to accept work at the Saco Lowell. Best of luck in your new work, Lucien.

¶ Mrs. Picard has returned to work after being out for a few months' rest.

¶ We are glad to welcome Mrs. Jeannette Vachon and Mrs. Anna Fredette who have come back to work with us again.

¶ Say E. L.: How about buying a new hat?

¶ Mrs. Alice Nadeau, Doffer, has returned to work after a few days' absence.

¶ "Now folks, whenever you go to bed at night after a hard day's work and feel the softness of a clean white bedspread, think of the Pepperell Sheet. For no other substitute will give you the satisfaction and the wear of a Pepperell Sheet. Look for the Dragon Label and you'll have the best."

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Rose Bouthot, Catherine Bizantakos.*

¶ *Howdy* . . . A hearty welcome to all the new girls and men on this department.

¶ *She's Married Now* . . . Gemma Fortin was given a surprise party on May 9th in honor of her approaching marriage, May 24. All who attended reported an enjoyable time. You'd always know it would rain on a night like that.

¶ *A Whole Nickel!* . . . Gladys C's check for five cents caused quite a laugh in the mill on a certain Friday not so long ago. "Ain't it awful"? huh, Gladys? Say, by the way, Gladys, what do you think of the back of O. O. High School? Quite a place, isn't it?

¶ *During Easter* . . . We think the little Red Hen must be laying little red eggs . . . ready boiled. For further details ask Eva Ripley.

¶ *What a Mixup?* . . . Once upon a time there were two Rose Santorsolas in this department. Now one of these Roses married a man by the name of Philip Bouthot. Lo! and behold! there's another girl named Rose in our department married to a man of the same name. What do you do when you are looking for Rose Bouthot?

¶ *Don't Waste This—It's a Wow!* . . . Congratulations, dear bowlers. You deserve much praise. Now turn to the Towel Cloth Room notes and look for a retraction. Manager Lawrence Beaudette, please note: I'm still laughing at the item you wrote in the last edition. So you're not worried, eh? You know, Lawrence, you can really be funny at times. Don't you think it would do to change the "So Big" team's name to "Little Gutterettes"? Eva (Two-Gun) Morris still says, "Are We Good?" What do you say to that?

¶ *She Was Lucky* . . . Helen Rankin enjoyed a ten day vacation in New York City recently. It's a good way to spend a vacation, Helen, if you have the money.

¶ *Woe Is Me* . . . Have been keeping out of Eva's way since the last Sheet was out. Aw, have a heart, will you, Eva? I still love life.

¶ *Can't Fool Us* . . . Vivian C certainly thinks she's putting something over on us by telling us that Cecile Janelle's name has been changed to Parenteau these past five years. Just humor Vivian along and let her think you believe her.

¶ *Best of Luck From All* . . . Wedding bells have stopped for Laurette Dumas, who became Mrs. Conrad Nolette on May 10. A shower was given her at the St. Jean Baptiste Hall on April 25. Laurette is certainly glad it's over. What a nervous wreck she was!

¶ *Did You Say More Than a Hundred?* . . . "Speed" has been trying to tell some of us that he can lift all that weight over his head with one hand. You know Speed, folks.

¶ *Stork Makes Two Visits* . . . First visit to Rita Palardis, who was recently employed here. All her dreams came true when she was presented with a little girl . . . Congratulations. A six pound baby boy was presented Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Barden on the second day of May. The proud parents named him David.

¶ *Jack of All Trades* . . . They ought to have more time cards made for Mary L. At the rate she has been changing jobs and using up the cards there won't be enough for anyone else. Poor Mary!

¶ *Stop Chewing? Not on Your Life* . . . What would Mabel Pothier do if the gum companies would stop making the chewing variety?

¶ *It's Not So Bad Now.* Did you know that Blanche D has the best knack for saying "When youse eating?"

¶ *"That Doggone Bell"* . . . That's what Harrison says every time he hears the bell ringing down in one, and he hears it plenty.

¶ *SoSheSays* . . . Mary Nadeau claims that Lucille Paul is married to the Man in the Moon. Lucille laughs at her and says nothing.

¶ *Come in, Beaudette* . . . Yes, I do mean what I write in this Sheet, Lawrence. We're all expecting A. P. to get his invitation any time now. When do you expect yours?

¶ *All in Fun* . . . It's real hard to lead a private life when you're working in the Blanket Department. Don't go doing anything folksies or people will be telling you about it. Get it? (Or do you?)

SHEETING WEAVING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Alice McDowell, John Trembly, Anna Bergeron, William Thompson.*

¶ Francis Rogers, cleaner in 9-2, has been promoted to machine man in the conditioning room, first shift, besides having his photo-mat at Old Orchard opened for business, week-ends.

¶ Real Montembeau, cleaner in 5-3, has been promoted to the conditioning room, third shift.

¶ Mr. Carlos DeSilva, runner boy on the first shift and his wife attended the wedding of his wife's sister in Saco, Saturday, April 19th.

¶ Mr. George Currier, cleaner in 10-2, first shift, was the proud father of a baby girl weighing 9½ pounds, born during the month of April.

¶ Mr. Stanley Sobbites, cleaner in 10-2, has been promoted to cloth boy. We all wish him luck on his new job.

¶ Miss Annette Gregoire is back to work again after five months of illness; nevertheless she is looking fine.

¶ Mr. Rene Desmarais, cleaner in 9-2, is now cleaning ceilings. Rene and his wife are planning to go housekeeping soon.

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Time out for lunch at the Fall River cafeteria. Left to right, these young ladies are: Viola Bartsch, May Lynch, Rita Kelley, Mary Sherman, Margaret Frechette, Leda Fitzgerald, Julia Day, Dot Mercier.

The ship's in, girls! These smart looking sailors are Renald and Roger Jalbert, nephews of Amanda Savoie, weaver in Room 13-1 at Biddeford.

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¶ James Gallant of 5-3 intends to take a test for a driver's license. Good luck to you, Jim.

¶ Mr. Bouthillette was absent for several days due to illness. Glad to see you back on the job again. (Especially Matte).

¶ Well, George, no matter what you may put in the Sheet, "you can feel at ease", because you still hold a 2 to 1 lead on rents. Thompson isn't going to move after all.

¶ Elphege Paradis, loom fixer in 8-3, Raymond Paradis and Miss Florence Roy motored to Augusta and Lewiston recently.

¶ Doris Grenier, weaver in 8-3A had time to save some of her belongings when fire broke out at 4 A.M. Wednesday, the 23rd of April.

¶ Mrs. Marie Thompson, battery hand in 13-1, has been employed by Pepperell for 14 years.

¶ Mr. Joseph DeSilva and wife have taken up housekeeping and are now living at 108 Washington St.

¶ Max Libby now has his car registered. Anyone wishing accommodations here or there, why speak up, "Eh, Max?"

¶ Miss Philomene DeSilva was visiting friends in Portland recently.

¶ Henry Morrissette also has his car registered.

¶ What do you suppose could be happening to Alice and Laurette Marcotte of 8-1. Is it that the third shift is unsatisfactory or could it be that their boy friends live out of town?

¶ We wish to announce our new glamour girl, Miss Annette Gregoire.

¶ Annette Poisson of 8-1 is out due to illness. We miss you, Annette.

¶ We wonder what Delia Dubuc has to say about one of her co-workers. We hope it's nothing bad.

¶ Could it be that Albert Roy has a new girl friend? We have seen him lately with his brand new car, which makes us wonder.

¶ Bertha LeMire and husband accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valliere visited Bertha's sister and brother in Springfield, Vermont.

¶ We know that Armand Chasse, loom fixer in 8-1, gets along fine with all the girls, but we wonder who that someone special is on his mind.

¶ It's someone we don't know of course, but how about an introduction, Armand?

¶ We would like to know if Mr. Le Francois, second-hand in 8-3, ever took up Salesmanship. We are convinced he could sell the City Building at any time, for he has proven his ability beyond a doubt.

¶ George Simard challenges Max Libby to a horseback riding contest any time Mr. Libby feels able to sit in the saddle again. Contest to take place on Cupid Ave.

¶ Janet Wood of 5-3B, member of the Busy Gardeners' bowling team and top ranker with a 7 point lead, was seen celebrating with her co-bowlers at Vallee's Inn. They all reported a grand time and Janet still wonders how Mr. Beaudette of the Towel Department feels now.

¶ After walking 150 miles to Corina, Me., Mr. Cray, Cleaner in 9-2, located his car.

¶ NOTE: When approaching Rene Desmarais and George Currier, cleaners in 10-2, please notify them at a distance. They are very nervous lately.

¶ The heat has caught up with some people! Familiar heads of 9-2 were seen stuck out the window recently. Cleaners take notice.

TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Natalie Keene, Laurence Beaudette.*

¶ Congratulations to the "Busy Gardeners" bowling team on their unexpected and completely surprising clinching of the diadem by so narrow a margin. Due to unforeseen circumstances the "So Big" team representing the Towel Division was eliminated by a group of gutter throwers, who under ordinary conditions would have bowled like "gutterettes". We question the validity of their use of the name Blanket Department bowlers, for I believe there is but one girl from Mr. Spencer's department on their team. Yvette Belanger, who proved to be the margin of victory is employed in the Sheeting Division as is her sister, Mrs. Jeannette Woods and Marie Nunan. It is indeed a shallow victory that you enjoy, Clarinthe. And while we are dishing out "congratulations" we must not overlook Eddie Demers, the elevator operator, who proved to be a very proficient adviser, and to Kathy Gillis, sister of the Twin City Bowling Champ, for their advice and coaching through the long schedule just ended.

¶ We welcome Ruth Hobbins back into our midst and hope that she's here to stay.

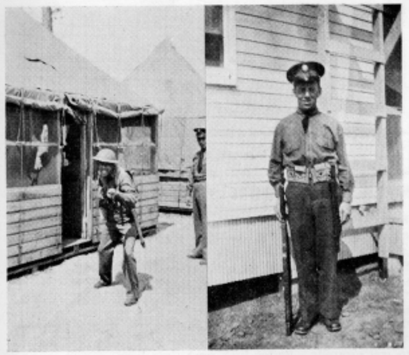
¶ With the International Situation increasing in gravity, the sole eligible soldier in the Towel Cloth Room is momentarily expecting the call to the colors and departure for the battle ground of Europe.

¶ Mrs. Beatrice Brouilliard motored to Whitinsville to visit her husband who is employed in the Whitins Mills.

¶ We salute the following:

Frieda Guay's bewitching hat
Ann Tsomides' revealing sweater
Lilyan DuPont's raccoon coat
Josephine Burba's dimple
Grace Gentilner's ski suit
Jean Gagne's figure

Spraying the trees at the Fall River plant. Each year the foliage and the trees that surround the plant are very attractive, especially so during the Autumn season.



Ralph "Junior" Souland is now in Uncle Sam's Army at Macon, Georgia, with Company D, 7th Tr. B. M. He was formerly employed as a packer in the blanket cloth room at Biddeford. (Left) A Biddeford lad whom all the fellows have labeled as a swell boy. The evening is never dead when Phil Gaudette is around. Phil is the Company barber, who gives the boys the haircuts.

SHEETING CARDING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Leblond, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook, Emelin Morin.*

¶ O. Cantara, trucker in No. 2 mill, was out sick recently, but is back on his job this week.

¶ R. Chasse, lap trucker in No. 2 mill, is back with us after having been out for a couple of weeks.

¶ We are glad to see Charlie L., Grinder in 2-2 B, feeling happy and interested when at work on Comber machines.

¶ Con. Roberge, card tender in 2-3 B, is talking automobile, since he's on a steady job. We wonder what talk will come next. Look out, "Con", you're still in the draft.

¶ Mrs. A. Gagne, long draft tender on third shift, was transferred on the second shift. Hope she enjoys it.

¶ Mr. Brady is an expert when it comes to being a "caretaker" of tools.

¶ What's this we hear about Joe Tardif leaving the Pepperell? Joe is now employed in Mr. McDuffey's Department, and was formerly of the Research Department. We don't know what Joe's intentions are, but from his work about the mill we know that he will succeed.

¶ Too bad the whole mill couldn't have seen Max "Horsie" Gene Autry Libby showing the boys how it should be done on the cement walk in front of the Main Office the other night. All joking aside, we hear Max is a pretty good rider.

¶ Everyone should attend the Minstrel Show the Pepperell is giving in Saco later this month. You know, boys, we are going to have a hula! hula! Included are such artists as Nat Keene, June Butler, Rita Hughes and so many others. (Don't let Bill Sweetsir see this.) Sorry, Bill, no bald headed rows in this show.

¶ We would like to congratulate the girls on their efforts in Bowling. Sorry that we can't say the same for the men.

¶ We hear that Herb Sears visited Norwich Academy at Northfield, Vermont, a few weeks ago. Says Herb, "It's great up there. Those boys sure ride a mean horse." P.S. I'll bet Max Libby's face is red.

¶ We hear "Bring 'Em Back Alive" Sweetsir caught some 22 inch trout. That's his story. The end is O.K. The part about 22". I mean, but we hear that it took four trout 5½" each to total that 22". Gee! Bill, don't you ever get tired?

BLANKET WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Ernest Guilmette, Lauretta Archambeault.*

¶ Wedding bells should be ringing soon, for Jeannette Gagne, and Raoul Sayer, for we heard he presented her a diamond a little while back.

¶ We think it would be much cheaper for Alex to buy peanuts by the barrel instead of by the handful and check up each time to see if he is making any profit.

¶ Well, well, folks, have you heard about the Bombers Softball Team? Well, if you want any dope just see Amedee and he'll give you an earful.

¶ We hear that a certain little brunette in our room sure is glad that the Old Orchard Pier has once again opened its doors. Isn't that right, Pauline?

¶ Congratulations to Miss Jeanette Lambert who was married to William Brousseau, May 24, 1941, at St. Andrew's Church.

¶ Blandine Picard has been out a few weeks, due to illness.

¶ Amoza Boilard has been transferred from third shift to first shift.

¶ Evangeline Trottier has been transferred from second to first shift replacing Mrs. George Bouffard, battery hand on narrow looms. Mrs. Bouffard is taking a few months' vacation.

¶ Best wishes are extended George Prejean, one of our weavers, who is to be married June 14, to Elizabeth Cormier of Saco. The wedding is to take place June 14 at Notre Dame de Lourde of Saco.

¶ Overseer J. H. Strait and Hector Poitras, our Second Hand, recently attended a meeting sponsored by the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers held in the Chamber of Commerce Building in Boston.

¶ Mrs. Louise Tricky and family were recent visitors in Three Rivers, Mass.

¶ Mrs. Leona Demouchelle was operated on for an appendix at the Saco Hospital May 12th. We are all wishing her a speedy recovery and hoping she will be back with us soon.

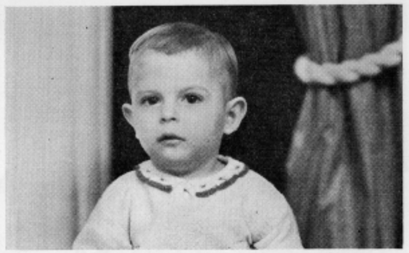
¶ Mrs. Mamie Gagne has taken her new apartment in the Boucher Block corner of Alfred and Main Streets.

¶ Miss Dorothy Pomerleau visited the Hub several times this Spring—but her recent trip has left her "day dreaming" ever since. What is the matter, Dot? Is it the Steamship that got under your skin, or was it your friend's "Bon Voyage"? Cheer up, you may be the lucky one soon.

¶ Wonder what seems to be the trouble with the girls in Hacoba Winders since they have been transferred to the Blanket Weave Room—Mamie claims she lost nine pounds—Evelyne is drinking more coca colas than ever—Dot P had the Japan Flutters—Lillian does not seem to find enough time to eat her "Tangos"—Is it the sudden change of atmosphere, girls, or what?

¶ Dot M. come on, give the boys a smile once in awhile.

¶ Joe is the wonder boy, being the most popular man with all the girls.



Donald Tousignant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rene Tousignant. Donald's Daddy is employed in the winding room at Biddeford and his mother in the sheeting cloth room.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Dorothy Adjutant, Antoinette Hannah, Helen Economos, Phylis Cote, Mary Goldthwaite.*

¶ Our deepest sympathy to John and Armand Nadeau in the recent bereavement of their mother.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Percy O'Neil and daughter, Patricia, of Waterville, Me., were guests of Mary Poulin over the week-end.

¶ Mrs. Amanda Martineau was a visitor in Portland recently.

¶ Mrs. Eva Boisvert celebrated her birthday with a party at her home April 25th. Many happy returns of the day, Eva.

¶ Donald Freeland and Oneil Lauzier have joined the force working on the second shift.

¶ Cyril Angers has been transferred from the first shift to the second shift.

¶ Andrew Bolduc is out on a leave of absence.

¶ We all extend our sincere sympathy to Adrien Bertrand and his wife on the loss of their little daughter.

¶ Bernadette Octeau celebrated her 12th wedding anniversary May 5th.

¶ Of course Marie Nunan should get some recognition for her loyal support of her bowling team. Marie is right up on top most of the time when it comes to score and noise.

¶ Mr. Alcide Perreault and family motored to Brunswick, Me., recently to visit relatives.

¶ Napoleon Ruel and family motored to Berlin, N. H., Sunday, May 4th, to visit relatives.

¶ We have all had our picture taken on the first shift but I guess there was no film, we have never seen the negatives.

¶ Mrs. Eva Boisvert celebrated her 20th wedding anniversary April 4th.

¶ It's very dangerous for anyone to tinker around a car door with a piece of wire at 4 A.M., but this is the method Adolphe used, after carefully locking his car he remembered the key was still in the ignition.

¶ YOU'VE heard of girls going on a diet but would you think so of Eddie B?

¶ Is Gene after a few lessons of a "certified welder" or did he just forget about the whole thing?

¶ Jim Wilcox won the men's popularity contest sponsored by the girls in the Sheeting Cloth room.

¶ Alkalize with Alka-Seltzer. It gave relief to Joe but what a distressed feeling Rita had. Guess she'll never live it down.

¶ You don't need a ticket to meet the Police Chief, Adolphe. Take time to close your car door and don't get locked out. He'll still be waiting.

¶ Edward Berube gained a few pounds working on the first shift and quite a few more on third shift. Better slow down now. You know how you feel about your looks, Eddie.

¶ We are glad to welcome Mr. Edwin Herrick as our new roll man.

¶ Miss Alice Nanos has asked for a vacation. Is it the weather, Alice?

Albert Bissette is a bale sewer in "B" cloth room at Fall River and spent Memorial Day Week at Old Orchard. Cecil Kleeb, otherwise known as "Ex-Chairman Cecil" was formerly employed at the Biddeford Mill before being transferred to Fall River.

WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

H. A. TRUSLOW, *Fall River Editor*

SPINNING ROOM "B" MILL — Fall River

REPORTER: *Marion Dupuis.*

¶ We welcome to our department Miss Kathleen Brown, Mrs. Alice Couture and Mrs. Adele Jeffrey.

¶ Rita and Rhea have been transferred from the second floor to the third floor and like it very much.

¶ The best of luck to Mrs. Berube's daughter who will be married May 17th.

¶ The men of the Bowling League went to Boston Saturday, May 10th, but could not see a game as it was called off due to wet grounds. Better luck next time boys.

¶ We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. Alphonse Rioux's family in their recent bereavement. Mr. Rioux was one of our co-workers who passed away recently.

¶ Best of luck to Mr. Carpentier's son who has been drafted into the U. S. Army.

¶ The following was composed by Miss Rita Chagnon; Rita is the daughter of a spinner in our department.

"I AM AN AMERICAN"

I am an American
I live in the land of the free,
Where I have the right to speak as I please,
That is an example of liberty.
Freedom of religion,
Freedom of the press,
What more in this land of the free could I request?
Peaceful and free our flag it does wave o'er the free and
o'er our men at home, they will stay and keep far
away from battle today.
No loving Mothers to worry of their sons,
Of their great danger and work behind the great guns,
O! what else could we ask for
That is not being done for us now,
I for one am very proud
For being in an American crowd.

This is not a flag of truce, but a little code of their own which signifies that all is well in their quarters to come over and join the festivities. The boys are Sgt. Parenteau and Pvt. Boudreau.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

REPORTER: *Rudy LePage*

¶ Welcome greetings this month go to three newcomers. The first is William "Bill" Moss, who wishes to follow in his brother's footsteps, who is boss painter. The second is Grace Cushman, the stockroom's new office girl. The third and last is Al Kern, also a new hand in the stockroom. The best of luck to all of you.

¶ We wonder why Roy McDonald hurries upstairs to the Stockroom after completing his payroll. We wonder if Grace's presence has anything to do with it?

¶ Smiles, smiles, and still more smiles seems to bewitch Fred LePage these days. He says that this year must be his year of years, he has become a grandfather, last week his eldest daughter giving birth to an 8 lb. baby boy. He has also acquired a new set of molars. No more soup for a while now. He is taking a trip to Canada this summer, and in August another daughter is going to be married. Congratulations Fred and keep smiling.

¶ Roy Connors was really disappointed last Saturday when the Bowling League traveled to Boston to witness the Yankee-Red Sox Game. All week he had high hopes of seeing this game, but to his despair, the game was postponed on account of rain. Better luck next time Roy.

¶ We would like to get a closer look at that picture Ernest Walker carries in his wallet. Some of the younger machinists seem interested.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "A" — Fall River

REPORTERS: *Leo Chabot, Edward Sheehan*

¶ What has Imelda Levesque got that we haven't got? The camera man has taken her picture three times in the past two months. Well, it pays to smile doesn't it, Imelda, and not only that but Imelda isn't married.

¶ Isn't love grand? Ray Banville tells us he is a great crooner. He croons his wife to sleep.

¶ Doris Braz was greeted with a song entitled "Happy Birthday" on the morning of May 2nd. Many, many happy returns Doris.

¶ Gene Rich seems to think he is an athlete but we know the only thing athletic about him is his brain.

¶ Wallace Coulumbe has a beautiful child but it is easy to see that the child doesn't take after his old pop.

¶ The mouse and the dinosaur are now on the 3rd shift.

¶ If anyone is ever stuck for a battery hand they always can get Bozo Martin.

¶ Shorty, the little man who takes the cuts off on the 3rd shift, says the bigger they are the harder they fall. He considers himself very tough for a fellow built so close to the floor.

¶ Who is the fellow that goes around bumping his head into hard objects? Would it be P.F.B. of the 3rd shift?

¶ We on the third shift would like to know who is going to collect the dues for the Social Club.

CLOTH ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Ethel Marston.*

A is for Ann as neat as a pin
B is for Bella "Don't know where to begin."
C is for Catherine our Yankee Doodle Do,
D is for Dot of which we have two,
E is for Eva a lot of her too.
F is for Frederic our new "Beau Brumelle"
G is for Gertrude who is so full of ****
H is for Hilda who gets her free rides,
I is for Irene the latest in brides.
J is for Jenny the girl that does tricks,
K is for Kay who just lost her appendix.
L is for Lucy, Laura and Leda
M is for Mae who is sick but we need her.
N is for Norman another new boy
O is for "Old Bill" his wife's pride and joy,
P is for Pepperell who does us employ.
Q is for quarters of which we are short
R is for Roberts the cart before the horse.
S is for Sadie still waiting for Sam
T is for Travis who always gets her man.
U is for Unison for which we try with our might
V is for Vera a new little mite.
W is for William forever here asd there
X is for the unknown for whom nobody cares.
Y is for you who reads this rhyme
Z is for Zest to have at all times.
Then there is Amy, Mabel and Hannah
Kathleen, Delia, Helen and Anna
Minnie, Gladys, Arthur and Joe
Georgie and Al a'roaring to go.
Last but not least is our own dear Jack
Who is always ready to give you a smack.
Guess that is the round up of Cloth Room—B
As swell a bunch of workers you ever did see.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Phyllis LePage.*

¶ The boys from the Bowling Team seem to have hard luck every time they plan anything. They went to Boston to see a ball game and it was called off on account of rain, so they visited other places of interest.

¶ Everyone is wondering what it was that stopped a certain young man from sleeping for two nights after he came home from Boston.

¶ Everyone has been riding Phyllis LePage ever since they found out she has a little Austin. Adelard says that she has to peddle it with her feet.

¶ We all wish Oscar Dupont much happiness in his new home.

¶ Sally Sullivan has received her license to drive a car, so

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A troupe of Laconia Overseers and their Superintendents of a half century ago. Front row: Clement Wakefield, Alfred Dresser, James G. Brackett, Volney A. Sprague and James Leavitt. Second row: James Beaumont, Oliver Hill, James Read, Wright Bardsley and William Spofford. Back Row: Burtin Winslow, Archie Maxwell, Nahum H. Pillsbury, Charles Tarbox, Orville Bryant, Calvin H. Foss and Ira Hayes.

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don't be surprised if you see her go by in her new green Chrysler.

¶ Fred Richards has returned to work after a few weeks' absence. He underwent a minor operation on his foot.

¶ Freddie has decided to leave his bachelor days behind him; he is to be married June 7th.

¶ When Leo Durand decided to go on a diet to lose weight, he didn't know that his new job would help him also.

¶ Rose Martel has two brothers in the Army. She must find it pretty lonesome at home without the he men.

MILL "B" CARDING DEPT. — Fall River

REPORTER: *Beatrice Dupuis.*

¶ May Ann Mederios visited Washington, D. C., a few weeks ago, she tells us about having a wonderful time.

¶ We wish to welcome a newcomer to our department, Mrs. Harriet Stone. We hope you like the work and enjoy working with us.

¶ We find Manuel Almeida transferred to the first shift again. How does it feel getting up early mornings now Manny?

¶ Mildred Warchol has been busy moving to a new residence.

¶ Have you visited Dairy Land yet? We find many employees from our department there. We'd like to know what the big attraction is.

¶ Plans are being made for the Annual Outing. Roy Harmon has been made Chairman, and the committee from our Department consists of Mr. Lambert, Cecil Kleeb, Marion DeFusco and Beatrice Dupuis; any suggestion will be greatly appreciated.

¶ Margaret Joubert had guests for supper a few weeks ago and they are still talking about what a good cook Margaret is. Her specialty is Italian Spaghetti.

NOTICE-THE HEIGHT OF FASHION.

Cecile Baillargeon is a regular contributor to the Pepperell Sheet and this month she makes the cartoon timely by showing new styles of bathing suits. You might ask Cecile what fashion book she got these out of if they appeal to you.

WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

BOX SHOP — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Eugene Madden.*

¶ Joe Bak's golf game is showing a great improvement. He is now hitting in the low nineties. Joe gives all credit to the professional coaching he has been receiving from Earl Gilbert, Golf Pro at the Turner Country Club.

¶ Cy Reynolds will soon start in taking swimming lessons again. Cy has grown to the size of a battleship this past winter so now he at least ought to be able to float.

¶ Sam Lavoie, who expects to be inducted into Uncle Sam's Army in a short while now, claims that he isn't going to be lonesome while away for he knows several girls who will write to him every day. It's the truth all right for every time one meets Sam on the street he has a new girl by the arm.

¶ Gene Moore admits that with each passing year it takes him a little longer to get in shape for the horse-shoe pitching season. At that rate Gene should be able to toss a fair game of shoes by next fall.

¶ It is rumored that Johnny Coughlin is taking private elocution lessons, getting himself in shape for the coming State Convention of the American Legion, at which time he will deliver one of the principal addresses of the Convention. Johnny's voice was always strong enough but lacks a clear tone.

¶ Bill Parker says he is having a hard time recognizing Fred Marquis these days and that the reason for it is that Fred has stopped getting those Barkerville half-moon hair cuts since he moved into the city.

OFFICE — Lewiston

REPORTER: *T. J. Anthoine.*

¶ Another defense contract has been completed. J. Sullivan has his new golfing irons. He doesn't need competition, we understand, as Laplante has been furnishing it.

¶ Edith Thompson's beautiful and unusual flower garden has been raided again. The chap that raided it has just completed a busy season with the fire department. He's been stamping out grass fires.

¶ Margie Welch has a new car. The color is conservative and should wear well. Like the owner, Huh.

¶ Okie has been eating out during alterations. The carpenters took care of the eggs. They left the chickens for Frank. No, he wasn't mad.

¶ Uno Harta has completed his initial flying course. We hope he "zooms" when he is supposed to.

¶ Dot Mynahan has a temporary appointment as a hostess at Fort Preble. The idea of temporary is simply that no army could keep that girl on a budget or food allowance.

¶ The bowling match against the Biddeford Division was a grand time. All the contestants are looking forward to the next match. And a few are just looking and not saying a word.

¶ Bernadette "Babe" Dechene entertained all the girls of the office at her home recently. A good time was had by all. Games and music were enjoyed, and luncheon was served later in the evening. Entertainment was furnished by Dot Mynahan, Emily Leger, Phyllis Bartlett. The girls presented the hostess with a beautiful "dish garden", for which she was very grateful. The girls are looking forward to another of these joyous occasions which, no doubt, will be held soon.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 2 — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Charles Vaillancourt.*

¶ Someone told us that Leon St. Pierre's car could go 50 miles an hour, but we think they misunderstood, he meant he was lucky if he could get $50.00 for it. Speaking of cars, it is a wonder how Roland Moreau's car holds together.

¶ Just a few days ago we learned that Edgar "Kid" Morin, our heavyweight, had won his first match. He fought a postage stamp and licked it. Quite a sticky match.

¶ Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Levesque on the death of their child.

¶ We welcome back Tom, who has been at the hospital for the past three months for an operation. Funny but those lumps underneath your eyes are gone, the rest must have done you good, or was it the nurses?

¶ Some fishermen we have in our department. They go out with lots of hopes, but they come back with lost glory. Bill Leger who is an ardent spokesman on that subject says that there are lots of bites but the size limit forbids him from taking them home. Keep your chin up, Bill, they might grow bigger in years to come.

¶ Mr. Dumais seems to have changed his opinion about married life. He says that the cost of living is extremely high these days. Maybe it's because you have another one to support, Ferdinand, or is the money going on milk?

Mr. Armand Vaillancourt said that he pruned his plum tree. We all wonder if he means what he says sometimes.

STOREHOUSE — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Gerald Flynn.*

¶ Caleb Alvin Long, "the Minot Minute Man", has acquired the distinction of being a Famous First. He is the first citizen of the U. S. A., or maybe I should have said the town of Minot, to have built a "bomb-proof shelter." Caleb's house is located a few hundred yards from the L & A Airport Military Objective, No. 1 in Androscoggin county.

¶ Two Storehouse employees were blessed with bouncing babies last week. They are "Babe" Lizotte, whose little bundle of joy was a 7½ pound girl and Henry Beaudoin, an 8 pound son.

¶ Frank Donovan's Sandwich Shoppe on the Turner road is now open for business. Come on folks, you can go out anytime and get the best hamburgs or pepper steaks in Maine.

¶ Gerard Sirois is very busy these days keeping the Le Montagnard ball club in shape for the current season.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

REPORTER: *William Judson.*

¶ Warm weather must be here to stay for awhile as John Hopkins, jr. has finally discarded his long undies for new silk ones.

¶ The third shift hold their weekly rendezvous in a nearby restaurant every Saturday morning.

¶ The little man from Boys' Town, "Skippy" Paquette, has given up night life and settled down to going steady.

¶ Stanley Smith has installed a rat trap in his locker. Stanley is trying to beat "Fireman" Dumais who is quite a rat catcher. Why don't you get a cat, Stanley?

¶ We are going to miss those hot dogs and hamburgs of Jack's this summer as his stand was destroyed by fire recently.

¶ Frank Cox has decided to become a gentleman farmer and is living at present in New Gloucester.

¶ Art Michaud keeps in shape for the amateurs by riding his kid brother's bicycle up and down Lincoln Drive every day.

¶ Joe Mikalonis says the fish aren't biting so well this season. Well, keep plugging, Joe and maybe your luck will change.

The better half of this column's reporting staff, Clarence Meservey, has been working in the Sheet Factory the past few weeks, and unless he turns in his copy, news will be scarce. Hurry back Clarry, or do you like your present company better than ours?

CAN ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Robert Tiner.*

¶ We had a nice photograph of our fine feathered friend to display in this issue, but due to unfortunate circumstances it is not now available.

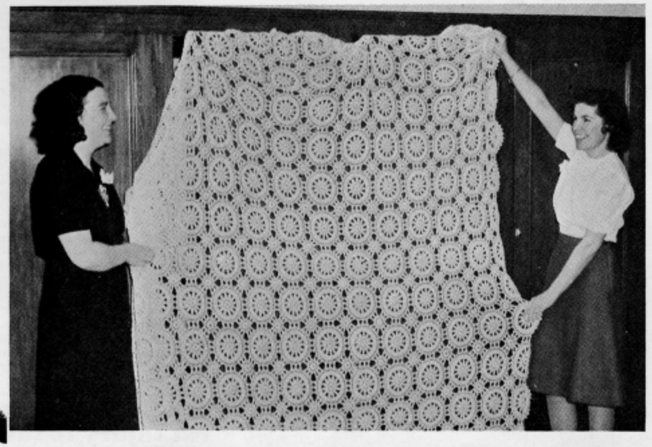
¶ Any remarks about our other friend (the featherless one) will also be omitted.

¶ Fulgence Robert, who has commonly been called "Floogie", has informed us that if he has any choice in the matter he would rather be called "Flossy".

¶ Flewelling, our hammer and tongs expert, recently traded a model A Ford and a sum of money for a 1925 Buick. Some bargain!

¶ "Spike" Paradise must be modeling hats for some concern judging from the assortment he has been wearing.

¶ Now that the warm weather is here Cheresky will be floating lumber down the river and "Donald Duck" Dallaire will be sporting his Panama hat.



This beautiful bedspread, crocheted by Miss Josephine Murphy of the advertising department in Boston, contains 288 large motifs together with a great number of small ones which fill in the spaces between the large designs. Miss Murphy estimates that a total of 400 hours was required to complete this bedspread. On the right is Miss Regina Higgins, also of the advertising department in Boston.

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

REPORTERS: *Olive Ward, Blanche Sawyer.*

¶ It looks as though Rose Laliberty is quite a chauffeur, on account of our girls are entrusting her with their lives on a trip to Boston. Have a nice trip, girls.
¶ We hear that Teddy Cosgrove had company from Boston. Is that why you and Dot went to Boston, Teddy?
¶ Annie Gousse and Jane Coady have done all their spring cleaning. Nice going, girls.
¶ We understand that Lena Thomas and Corrine Lessard were a little put out because they were not mentioned in the last issue. Well, the truth is that they were such good little girls that we couldn't find anything to say about them.
¶ Jennie Crowley is enjoying her new apartment and invites all her friends to visit her.
¶ Cecile Gagnon entertained her club recently at her Arcadia Avenue villa.
¶ Mabel Turcotte and Clair Dube were recent visitors to Old Orchard Beach. They showed our Biddeford cousins some classy pin picking on the bowling alleys.
¶ Minnie Gagnon has opened her summer cottage at Sabattus and is ready for a busy season.
¶ Agnes Delehanty is knitting a bedspread for her hope chest.
¶ Many happy returns of the day to Blanche Bolka who is getting married on June 7. Lots of luck, Blanche.
¶ Mary Dudzic has been seen practising trick golf shots in her back yard.
¶ We are glad to have Helen Soule back with us after a long illness.
¶ Ellen Cooper will never succeed in reducing if she continues to eat three or four chocolate bars every evening.
¶ Who was seen with whom by whom on Friday night, April 18? Ask Carl Begert.
¶ It is said that Gerald Flynn, the well known Storehouse athlete, gets hungry about 3.45 p.m. each day. Donations will be gladly received.
¶ Henry Breen, the guardian of the "hot corner", has been giving young "Dickie" instructions in the proper method of handling hits to the left. Henry has quite a little redhead there. We hope he will be able to hit in the clutch like his old man.
¶ Lena Kelley has reported back to work after being out as the result of a nasty fall.
¶ Emma Patry, Simone Rivard, Gertrude and "Honey" Vaughn were among the bowlers who made the Biddeford trip. Everybody reported a good time.
¶ It is reported that Mrs. Vaughn has had a new brand of "Blouin" to try out on Eddie. It all comes out in the wash.

Foreman Stanley Murdock applying the black paint to John Connolly at the recent Minstrel Show held under the auspices of the Foreman's Club of Biddeford. Veteran end man Joe Cook stands in line for his turn. More pictures in next month's issue of The Sheet.

¶ Latest reports from Georgia seem to indicate the State has gained a new Peach. Bill Parkin, no less. He is counting off these days.
¶ Golf has got to be quite a topic around the place these days with a lot of the boys burning up the fairways. To name a few of them: Tom "Call me Sarazen" Anthoine, Carl "Ouimet" Begert, John "Nelson" Conley, Frank "Revolti" Donovan, Tom "Jug" Salter, John "Carrieyabag" Sullivan, Ted "Mohair" Murphy and Mert "The Mite" Parker.
¶ A couple of our girls are taking up horseback riding these days. Nice going, gals!
¶ Anita is quite a busy girl these days. What with buying all those lovely clothes, and hunting for an apartment.
¶ All the girls have been pleased recently with Bert Wood's high spirits. No wonder. He always manages to win the pool!
¶ We all sincerely extend our sympathies to Ida Pelletier and her husband for the loss of their baby girl.
¶ It sure looks as though Oldsmobiles are the favorites this year.
¶ We wonder why our Apple Annie has become so fond of log cabins and a certain beautiful lake?
¶ Which one of our girls gets so mad when her boy friend would much rather play golf than go to a movie?
¶ We see a few new faces among us. Glad to have you and hope you'll be with us a long time.
¶ It sure looks like many swell trips for "Bus" Stevens. He passed his driving test and is raring to go!
¶ Tom seems a little worried these days. Could it have anything to do with that certain white paper which came personally from Uncle Sam?

WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Roland Lacombe.*

¶ Paul Lavigne has taken Albert O'Brien under his wing and is going to break him from pulling his punches.
¶ Stella was seen parading the streets in a fellow's car lately. We wonder who the fellow is. Is it Red, Stella?
¶ The "Arthur Duffy" of the White Finishing Room, Toby Joyce, must have seen quite a baseball game in Boston, Saturday, May 10. He has been talking about the swell night club ever since.
¶ A new one has just been told, about someone chewing tobacco in church. "Ask Conrad Nadeau".
¶ "Uncle Chew Too Quick Wilson" of the comic strip in the papers has a rival in Freddie Michaud.

If you should happen to walk by the rolling machine, the one next to the wall, and you cannot see anyone there, that's "Mr. Nault". A platform does the trick of making him visible.

¶ For all advice on married life see Johnny Turner. He knows all the answers.
¶ Wanted: A large size umbrella for Johnny and Roland's 1923 open car. How's the business, boys?

MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Carl Proctor.*

¶ Val Lacoussiere was a recent visitor at Moosehead Lake.
¶ When one of the boys took his lunch box home his wife found a ladies' hat in it. Complications developed.
¶ Frank Wellman has opened up his camp at Taylor Pond and is very happy. Nothing is missing.
¶ Louis Caron is having trouble with competition in the wood business.
¶ F. Jackson has been training extensively in the Home Guard and is ready for anything—but inaction.
¶ Lou Thompson is undecided about going into the refreshment business this summer. It is reported that last year he ate up all the profits.
¶ Pat Burke was seen recently at Sebago fishing. The fish were very happy when he left.
¶ Charlie Manning and Mike Linehan are always claiming each other's tools. If each gave up what the other claimed, neither one would have any.
¶ Axel Nielson hasn't had a car for so long he's getting used to it. Easy on the pocketbook too.

Always Report Even the Slightest Injury to the Clinic Promtly

The cost of living during February of this year is just about the same as it was in August 1938 when the figure was 85.9.

In February 1941, the cost of living was a good deal less than it was in December 1937, when the figure was 89. It was a good deal less in February 1941 than it was for the whole year 1938.

Since the year 1931, the cost of living hasn't changed a great deal. Its lowest point was in 1933 when the index was at the low figure of 74.9, and its highest was in October 1937 when the figure was 89.5.

There have been times though when the cost of living was a great deal higher than it has been for the past twenty years—times when a dollar wouldn't buy anywhere near as much as it will today. The highest cost of living was in 1920, when the index figure was at 118.2, and in the years from 1923 to 1929, it didn't get below 100.

Compared with many years in the past, the cost of living today is comparatively low. This means that each dollar that is spent today, buys a pretty high value of food, clothing, fuel, and any other things that are needed to keep a family well fed and clothed. No one knows just how the cost of living will go in the future, for whether it will go up or down depends upon too many things for any person to guess.

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Mill Manager

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ALL SPLINTERS ARE DIRTY

SO ARE ALL OTHER THINGS THAT SCRATCH OR PUNCTURE THE SKIN

It's all right to be brave when you get a splinter or when you get a scratch but remember that the germs in the splinter don't care about your bravery. They go to work right away, and there are millions of them on every splinter. It takes only about five minutes to remove a splinter, to apply an antiseptic and to make sure that the germs are killed right on the spot. That's a job the clinic will do for you at any time. By all means don't put it off when you get a splinter or a scratch. Let the clinic clean it up for you—and it only takes a few minutes to do it. This will save a lot of time later.